the Secretary's delegate shall instruct employees of the Internal Revenue Service that they may not threaten to audit any taxpayer in an attempt to coerce the taxpayer into entering into a Tip Reporting Alternative Commitment Agreement."

MODIFICATION OF TIPS ALLOCATION METHOD

Pub. L. 99-514, title XV, §1571, Oct. 22, 1986, 100 Stat. 2765, provided that: "Effective for any payroll period beginning after December 31, 1986, an establishment may utilize the optional method of tips allocation described in the last sentence of section 31.6053-3(f)(1)(iv) of the Internal Revenue Regulations only if such establishment employs less than the equivalent of 25 full-time employees during such payroll period."

STUDY OF TIP COMPLIANCE

Section 314(c) of Pub. L. 97–248 directed Secretary of the Treasury or his delegate to submit before Jan. 1, 1987, to Committee on Ways and Means of House of Representatives and to Committee on Finance of Senate a report with respect to tip compliance in food and beverage service industry. Such study to include, but not be limited to, an analysis of tipping patterns, tip-sharing arrangements, and tip compliance patterns.

SUBPART D—INFORMATION REGARDING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE

6055. 6056. Reporting of health insurance coverage. Certain employers required to report on health insurance coverage.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior subpart D, consisting of section 6056, related to information concerning private foundations, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 96-603, §1(c), Dec. 28, 1980, 94 Stat. 3504.

AMENDMENTS

2010—Pub. L. 111–148, title X, \$10108(j)(3)(G), Mar. 23, 2010, 124 Stat. 915, which directed substitution of "Certain employers" for "Large employers" in item 6056 in the table of sections for subpart D of part III of subchapter A of chapter 1, was executed to this table of sections, which is for subpart D of part III of subchapter A of chapter 61, to reflect the probable intent of Congress.

Pub. L. 111–148, title I, 1514(c), Mar. 23, 2010, 124 Stat. 258, added item 6056.

§ 6055. Reporting of health insurance coverage (a) In general

Every person who provides minimum essential coverage to an individual during a calendar year shall, at such time as the Secretary may prescribe, make a return described in subsection (b)

(b) Form and manner of return

(1) In general

A return is described in this subsection if such return—

- (A) is in such form as the Secretary may prescribe, and
 - (B) contains—
 - (i) the name, address and TIN of the primary insured and the name and TIN of each other individual obtaining coverage under the policy,
 - (ii) the dates during which such individual was covered under minimum essential coverage during the calendar year.
 - (iii) in the case of minimum essential coverage which consists of health insurance coverage, information concerning—

- (I) whether or not the coverage is a qualified health plan offered through an Exchange established under section 1311 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, and
- (II) in the case of a qualified health plan, the amount (if any) of any advance payment under section 1412 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of any cost-sharing reduction under section 1402 of such Act or of any premium tax credit under section 36B with respect to such coverage, and
- (iv) such other information as the Secretary may require.

(2) Information relating to employer-provided coverage

If minimum essential coverage provided to an individual under subsection (a) consists of health insurance coverage of a health insurance issuer provided through a group health plan of an employer, a return described in this subsection shall include—

- (A) the name, address, and employer identification number of the employer maintaining the plan,
- (B) the portion of the premium (if any) required to be paid by the employer, and
- (C) if the health insurance coverage is a qualified health plan in the small group market offered through an Exchange, such other information as the Secretary may require for administration of the credit under section 45R (relating to credit for employee health insurance expenses of small employeers).

(c) Statements to be furnished to individuals with respect to whom information is reported

(1) In general

Every person required to make a return under subsection (a) shall furnish to each individual whose name is required to be set forth in such return a written statement showing—

- (A) the name and address of the person required to make such return and the phone number of the information contact for such person, and
- (B) the information required to be shown on the return with respect to such individual

(2) Time for furnishing statements

The written statement required under paragraph (1) shall be furnished on or before January 31 of the year following the calendar year for which the return under subsection (a) was required to be made.

(d) Coverage provided by governmental units

In the case of coverage provided by any governmental unit or any agency or instrumentality thereof, the officer or employee who enters into the agreement to provide such coverage (or the person appropriately designated for purposes of this section) shall make the returns and statements required by this section.

(e) Minimum essential coverage

For purposes of this section, the term "minimum essential coverage" has the meaning given such term by section 5000A(f).

(Added Pub. L. 111–148, title I, \$1502(a), Mar. 23, 2010, 124 Stat. 250.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Sections 1311, 1402, and 1412 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, referred to in subsec. (b)(1)(B)(iii), are classified to sections 18031, 18071, and 18082, respectively, of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 111–148, title I, §1502(e), Mar. 23, 2010, 124 Stat. 252, provided that: "The amendments made by this section [enacting this section and section 18092 of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare, and amending section 6724 of this title] shall apply to calendar years beginning after 2013."

§ 6056. Certain employers required to report on health insurance coverage

(a) In general

Every applicable large employer required to meet the requirements of section 4980H with respect to its full-time employees during a calendar year shall, at such time as the Secretary may prescribe, make a return described in subsection (b).

(b) Form and manner of return

A return is described in this subsection if such return—

- (1) is in such form as the Secretary may prescribe, and
 - (2) contains—
 - (A) the name, date, and employer identification number of the employer,
 - (B) a certification as to whether the employer offers to its full-time employees (and their dependents) the opportunity to enroll in minimum essential coverage under an eligible employer-sponsored plan (as defined in section 5000A(f)(2)),
 - (C) if the employer certifies that the employer did offer to its full-time employees (and their dependents) the opportunity to so enroll—
 - (i) the length of any waiting period (as defined in section 2701(b)(4) of the Public Health Service Act) with respect to such coverage.
 - (ii) the months during the calendar year for which coverage under the plan was available,
 - (iii) the monthly premium for the lowest cost option in each of the enrollment categories under the plan, and
 - (iv) the employer share of the total allowed costs of benefits provided under the plan,
 - (D) the number of full-time employees for each month during the calendar year,
 - (E) the name, address, and TIN of each full-time employee during the calendar year and the months (if any) during which such employee (and any dependents) were covered under any such health benefits plans, and
 - (F) such other information as the Secretary may require.

The Secretary shall have the authority to review the accuracy of the information provided under this subsection, including the applicable

large employer's share under paragraph (2)(C)(iv).

(c) Statements to be furnished to individuals with respect to whom information is reported

(1) In general

Every person required to make a return under subsection (a) shall furnish to each full-time employee whose name is required to be set forth in such return under subsection (b)(2)(E) a written statement showing—

- (A) the name and address of the person required to make such return and the phone number of the information contact for such person, and
- (B) the information required to be shown on the return with respect to such individual.

(2) Time for furnishing statements

The written statement required under paragraph (1) shall be furnished on or before January 31 of the year following the calendar year for which the return under subsection (a) was required to be made.

(d) Coordination with other requirements

To the maximum extent feasible, the Secretary may provide that—

- (1) any return or statement required to be provided under this section may be provided as part of any return or statement required under section 6051 or 6055, and
- (2) in the case of an applicable large employer offering health insurance coverage of a health insurance issuer, the employer may enter into an agreement with the issuer to include information required under this section with the return and statement required to be provided by the issuer under section 6055.

(e) Coverage provided by governmental units

In the case of any applicable large employer which is a governmental unit or any agency or instrumentality thereof, the person appropriately designated for purposes of this section shall make the returns and statements required by this section.

(f) Definitions

For purposes of this section, any term used in this section which is also used in section 4980H shall have the meaning given such term by section 4980H.

(Added and amended Pub. L. 111–148, title I, §1514(a), title X, §\$10106(g), 10108(j)(1)–(3)(D), Mar. 23, 2010, 124 Stat. 256, 911, 914, 915; Pub. L. 112–10, div. B, title VIII, §1858(b)(5), Apr. 15, 2011, 125 Stat. 169.)

References in Text

Section 2701 of the Public Health Service Act, referred to in subsec. (b)(2)(C)(i), was classified to section 300gg of this title, was renumbered section 2704, effective for plan years beginning on or after Jan. 1, 2014, with certain exceptions, and amended by Pub. L. 111–148, title I, \S 1201(2), 1563(c)(1), formerly \S 1562(c)(1), title X, \S 10107(b)(1), Mar. 23, 2010, 124 Stat. 154, 264, 911, and was transferred to section 300gg–3 of this title. A new section 2701, related to fair health insurance premiums, was added and amended by Pub. L. 111–148, title I, \S 1201(4), title X, \S 10103(a), Mar. 23, 2010, 124 Stat. 155, 892, and is classified to section 300gg of this title.